

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A method of operating a cellular wireless Internet access system as part of an Internet Network where users have personal computers (PCs) and each user utilizes a portable user equipment (UE) typically with a directly attached antenna for communicating in a wireless manner on a cellular network with an integrated network controller, the UE being connected to the PC, said network having a registration web server and an access operator authentication server, the method comprising the following steps:
- 5 using a said PC and associated UE to register with said registration web server on said Internet Network via an anonymous connection to said network including downloading subscriber identity information from said registration web server to said PC via said UE for storage in said PC, said subscriber identity information including, at least, a unique user identification (user ID) and a permanent password, such stored information constituting a virtual subscriber identity module (VSIM);
- 10 updating said access operator authentication server with said user ID and password;
- 15 connecting to an allowable Internet service provider (ISP) using said VSIM; and transferring electronically said user ID and password to another PC, said transfer including one of the following; temporary transfer to portable magnetic storage means, a local area network (LAN) e-mail attachment, or similar electronic transfer.
- 20 2. A method as in claim 1 where said UE has a unique ID and is included as part of said subscriber identity information whereby the original associated UE is connected to said another PC to enable an Internet session.